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## Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices "A," "B," and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 24 August 1946.

### Communicable Diseases:

For the third consecutive week, no cases of typhus fever have been reported in the U. S. Zone. Diphtheria and scarlet fever continue to increase slightly. The reported cases of poliomyelitis increased by seven this week with 4 cases in Bavaria, 6 in Greater Hesse, 8 in Wuerttemberg-Baden, 7 in Bremen, and 2 in U. S. Sector Berlin. There were eight deaths. The incidence of both gonorrhea and syphilis continues to increase with syphilis showing a proportionately greater increase than gonorrhea. Typhoid fever has decreased during the past two weeks. Malaria has also decreased from 32 reported cases last week to 15 during the current week with most of the decrease occurring in Bavaria and U. S. Sector Berlin.

### Medical Supplies:

Bremen reports that approximately three tons of medical supplies from decommissioned Kriegsmarine ships in Wesermunde have been turned over to the local civilian health officials for distribution. Due to the increase of poliomyelitis cases, Greater Hesse is reviving the old organization for obtaining blood donations from persons who have recovered from the disease, in order to increase the production of poliomyelitis serum.

### Hospitalization:

Information has been received from Third U. S. Army Headquarters to the effect that the Civilian Internee Hospital No. 2 in Karlsruhe, Land Wuerttemberg-Baden, will be turned over to the Military Government for operation on or about 15 September. This hospital consists of several buildings of various sizes with a total capacity of approximately 2500 patients. At present there are only 1600 patients, including 400 tuberculous cases, but capacity is expected to be reached upon receipt of the patients from the hospital in Bad Mergentheim which is now in the process of transfer to UNRRA. The hospital is well equipped, well staffed, and most medical supplies are sufficient. The hospital equipment includes one X-ray machine which provides adequate radiography and fluoroscopy.

### Sanitation:

In Mannheim, Land Wuerttemberg-Baden, all bunkers and air raid shelters have been cleared of people living in them and these people have been resettled in Landkreis Mannheim and Stadt-Landkreis Heidelberg. Approximately 2500 people have been moved during the past month in addition to about 1300 during the previous month, making a total of approximately 3800 people who have been evacuated to date. Progress is also being made in moving people out of cellars but this project is somewhat more difficult than the one of clearing bunkers. Further improvement of the environmental sanitation in the Land has resulted from an increased allocation of coal and soap to laundries and dry cleaning establishments for improving hygienic care of clothing.

**APPENDIX "A"**

**Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany**  
**for Week Ending 24 August 1946**

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																		c: Cases	d: Deaths											
		Typhoid Fever		Scarlet Fever		Tuberculosis Lung		Tuberculosis other		Whooping Cough		Meningitis Cerebrospinalis		Syphilis		Scarlet Jaundice		Food Poisoning		Dysentery		Malaria		Influenza		Measles		c: Cases	d: Deaths			
TOTAL US Zone a)	16,679,390	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	40	44	1	1	5,3280	4	15	14	141
Unterfranken	935,625	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	3	—	—	—	—	3			
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	47			
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	1			
Schwaben	1,040,631	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	1			
Oberbayern	2,160,916	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	1	3	—	—	—	56			
Kassel	1,153,323	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	6			
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	1			
Hessen	1,178,132	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	3	308	1	1	—	9			
Baden	1,249,127	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	1	672	—	1	—	1			
Württemberg	2,044,156	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	17			
Bremen Port Command	478,106	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	c	d	—	—	—	—	—	—			
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	c	p	—	—	—	—	—	6			

**APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany**  
**for Week Ending 24 August 1946**

Land	Popu- lation	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE												c: Cases	d: Deaths																	
		Cases, Deaths	Typhus, Fever house borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis lung	Gonorrhœa	Syphilis	Paratyphoid Fever	Dysentery	Infectious Poisoning	Food Poisoning	Cholera, Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Rabies	Encephalitis	Malaria	Influenza	Malaria								
Bavaria	8,169,731	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	337	89	275	22	374	2	4	1360	475	84	10	18	1	—	1734	—	2	4	—	—	108			
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	—	54	5	—	2	—	3	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Württemberg	3,293,283	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	208	61	183	38	228	3	6	631	274	16	18	6	—	—	1	3	577	—	2	4	14	16	—	
Baden	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	37	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Bremen Port Command	478,106	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	182	46	115	26	226	—	8	471	128	25	7	8	—	—	2	818	—	—	1	—	—	—	17	
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	52	6	19	5	5	1	7	148	37	1	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	151	—	—	—	—	—	—
		d	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	1	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	95	21	101	32	—	—	2	300	142	14	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Case Rate Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Land	Population	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis lung	Gonorrhœa	Syphilis	Paratyphoid Fever	Dysentery	Infectious Poisoning	Food Poisoning	Cholera, Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Rabies	Encephalitis	Malaria	Influenza	Malaria							
Bavaria	8,169,731	—	—	—	21.43	5.66	17.49	1.40	23.79	1.3	25	86.50	30.21	5.34	.64	1.14	.06	—	110.28	—	.13	25	—	6.87		
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	—	—	—	28.32	8.36	25.09	5.21	31.26	.41	.82	86.51	37.56	2.19	2.47	.82	—	.14	41	79.11	—	.27	.55	1.92	2.19	
Württemberg-Baden	3,293,283	—	—	—	28.74	7.26	18.16	4.10	35.68	—	1.26	74.37	20.21	3.95	1.10	1.26	—	.31	129.16	—	.16	—	.16	—	2.68	
Bremen Port Command	478,106	—	—	—	56.55	6.52	20.66	5.44	5.44	1.09	7.61	160.96	40.24	1.09	4.35	2.17	—	—	164.23	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	52.29	11.56	55.59	17.61	—	—	1.01	165.12	76.16	7.70	.55	.55	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.30	+	+	+

+ No data submitted

**APPENDIX "C"**

**Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany**  
**for Week Ending 24 August 1946**

Regierungs-Bezirk	Popu-lation	Total US Zone a]	Typhus Fever	Smallpox	Plague	Cholera	Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Whooping Cough	Gonorrhœa	Syphillis	Typhoid Fever	Dysentery infections	Bac-t. Food Poisoning	Lindauant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Rabies	Scabies	Encephalitis	Influenza	Years		
Unterfranken	935,625	—	—	—	—	—	27.27	6.9621.623.8425.99	19	.84	90.7932.954.371.25	1.37	.03	.16	102.34	—	.12	.47	.44	4.40			
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	—	—	—	—	—	21.12	2.7825.011.1122.23	—	—	40.5723.905.561.672.78	.72	.48	—	—	126.72	—	.55	.55	—	1.67		
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	—	—	—	—	—	22.09	8.1618.25	.48	19.21	—	.24	101.8041.783.84	.72	—	—	110.45	—	—	—	—	11.28	
Schwaben	1,040,631	—	—	—	—	—	24.52	2.51	7.241.39	16.44	.56	.28	78.5626.478.08	—	1.95	—	—	158.80	—	—	—	—	.28
Oberbayern	2,160,916	—	—	—	—	—	19.49	9.9919.492.00	60.46	—	—	85.4525.486.991.50	.50	.50	—	—	104.44	—	—	—	—	.50	
Kassel	1,153,323	—	—	—	—	—	30.21	11.7214.435.41	25.70	—	1.8063.1321.642.25	—	.45	—	.45	—	106.86	—	—	.45	—	2.70	
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	—	—	—	—	—	27.74	8.1827.748.1834.86	—	—	108.9157.622.844.271.42	—	—	—	—	11.38	—	36	1.07	—	.36		
Hessen	1,178,132	—	—	—	—	—	27.81	5.3032.221.32	32.221.32	.88	80.3328.251.322.65	.44	—	—	1.32	135.95	—	.44	—	6.18	3.97		
Baden	1,249,127	—	—	—	—	—	27.89	7.0821.657.4944.54	—	1.25	88.6722.064.58	.83	2.50	—	—	.42	219.75	—	.42	—	—		
Württemberg	2,044,156	—	—	—	—	—	29.26	7.3816.032.0330.27	—	1.27	65.6319.083.561.27	.50	—	—	.25	37.14	—	—	—	—	4.32		
Bremen Port Command	478,106	—	—	—	—	—	56.55	6.5220.665.44	5.441.09	7.61	160.96	40.241.094.352.17	—	—	—	—	164.73	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	—	52.29	11.5655.5917.61	+	—	1.10	85.1278.167.700.55	.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.50	+	+	



